IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph at page 28, line 25 to page 29, line 6, as follows:

However, if a flow rate of CF₄ becomes unnecessarily large, all parts in the plasma processing apparatus may be rusted. Therefore, the ratio of flow rate of oxygen to that of CF₄ during the dry cleaning process is preferably not less than 700 secm / 1 secm 1 secm/700 secm (about 0.14 %) but not greater than 700 secm / 50 secm 50 secm/700 secm (about 7.1 %), and more preferably not less than 700 secm / 2 secm 2 secm/700 secm (about 0.29 %) but not greater than 700 secm/10 secm 10 secm/700 secm (about 1.4 %).